

SENATE BILL No. 28

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-24-10-4.

Synopsis: Learner's permit and driver's license examination. Requires the written part of an examination for a learner's permit or driver's license be in English. Prohibits an applicant from using a translator to take the written part of the examination.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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January 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Transportation.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-24-10-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.85-2013,
2 SECTION 39, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), an
4 examination for a learner's permit or driver's license must include the
5 following:
6 (1) A test of the following of the applicant:
7 (A) Eyesight.
8 (B) Ability to read and understand highway signs regulating,
9 warning, and directing traffic.
10 (C) Knowledge of Indiana traffic laws, including
11 IC 9-26-1-1.5.
12 (2) An actual demonstration of the applicant's skill in exercising
13 ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor
14 vehicle under the type of permit or license applied for.
15 (b) The examination may include further physical and mental
16 examination that the bureau finds necessary to determine the



applicant's fitness to operate a motor vehicle safely upon Indiana highways. The applicant must provide the motor vehicle used in the examination. **Any written part of the examination for a learner's permit or driver's license described under subsection (a) must be administered in the English language. An applicant may not use a translator to take the written part of the examination.**

(c) The bureau:

(1) may waive the actual demonstration required under subsection (a)(2) for a person who has passed a driver's education class and a skills test given by a driver training school or driver education program given by an entity licensed under IC 9-27; and

(2) may waive the testing, other than testing under subsection (a)(1)(A), of an applicant who has passed:

(A) an examination concerning:

(i) subsection (a)(1)(B); and

(ii) subsection (a)(1)(C); and

(B) a skills test;

given by a driver training school or an entity licensed under IC 9-27.

(d) The bureau shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 specifying requirements for a skills test given under subsection (c) and the testing required under subsection (a)(1)(B) and (a)(1)(C).

(e) An instructor having a license under IC 9-27-6-8 who did not instruct the applicant for the license or permit in driver education is not civilly or criminally liable for a report made in good faith to the:

(1) bureau;

(2) commission; or

(3) driver licensing medical advisory board;

concerning the fitness of the applicant to operate a motor vehicle in a manner that does not jeopardize the safety of individuals or property.

